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DATED 18-7-27

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Public Department

Memo No. 787-2 dated 26. 4. 1927

Enemy Missions - Basel Mission - Extention of work to South Kanara.

In 1926, Government agreed to the re-turn of the Basel Mission to India on co-dition that it resumes work in Malabar alone and that if it desired to extend it work to South Kanara, it should get the permission of Govt. and the co-operation of the mission working in that area. Inti-mation has now reached this Govt. that th Kanarese Evangelical Mission which has for the past 11 years been carrying on mission-ary work in South Kanara and South Kahra is unable to keep to the agreement between them and the Basel Mission in April 1926 by which they could work together. A resolution was passed by the General Assembly of the Delegates of the Kanarese Mission to the effect that the Society should withdraw themselves from Kanara on 30-6-28, handing over charge to the Basel Mission which is anxious to take i

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The D.M.South Kanara is requested to report whether he seem any objection he Basel Missionary Society returning South Kanara.

To

The D.M. South Kanara.

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R.D. 25.5.27.

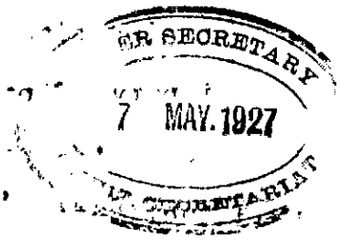
Ref 3672-27-F-1. South Kanara Collector's Office.

Camp: Puttur, dated 5th May 1927.

From

CURRENT NO. 2088 PUBLIC To

E. M. Gawne, Esq, I.C.S,
& Dt. Magistrate
Collector of South Kanara.



The Chief Secretary to Government,

Stone House Hill,

The Nilgiris.

S i r,

Enemy missions--Basel Mission--extension of work to South Kanara.

Govt Memo No 787-2 (Public)--dated 25th April 1927

The Government reference was received by me on the 29th April in camp and there was no indication that the matter was very urgent. I have also no knowledge of the work and difficulties of the Kanarese Evangelical Mission or of the agreement entered into between them and the Basel Mission in 1926 or of the resolution that is said to have been passed that the Kanarese Mission should abdicate from Kanara on the 30th June 1927 and leave the District open for the return of the Basel Mission.

In the circumstances I had to call for reports in order that I might ascertain what these missions were doing.

I have however received today two telegrams, one from Ootacamund and one from Madras asking me to expedite my reply.

It so happens that I am camping in Puttur, which was a centre of Basel Mission activity before the war, and I have been informed here (as a quite well-known fact) that the Missionaries are returning here in July and that they are already in India, if not in Ootacamund. It appears therefore that I am being called upon to report on what is already a fait accompli.

I do not suppose that the Government requires my humble opinion as to the desirability of the return of Basel

Missionaries to India; my recollection is that this has been forced on the Government of Madras by the Secretary of State and the Government of India. In that case I can only say that South Kanara is a peaceful place and I do not suppose that the Missionaries will do more harm here than anywhere else. Their missionary efforts meet with inconsiderable success when opposed by the strongly entrenched Jesuits. Their industrial activities are beyond praise; as for their politics, so long as they are not Bolsheviks, I do not think that they will do much damage.

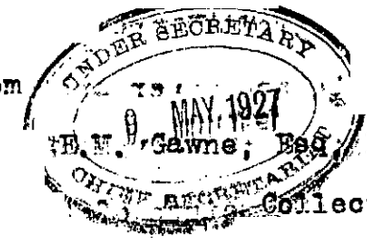
Your obedient servant,

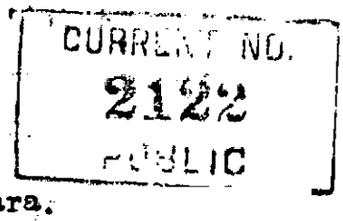
Collector, &
Dt. Magistrate.

D. D. No 3692-27-01

South Kanara Collector's Office,

Camp: Puttur, dated 6th May 1927.





From

H. W. Gawne, Esq., I. C. S.,

Collector of South Kanara.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Stone House Hill,

The Nilgiris.

Sir,

Enemy missions--Basel mission--extension of work to South Kanara.

Government memorandum No. 787--2 dated 25th April 1927.

In continuation of my letter written on the subject yesterday, I have the honour to state that I have now seen a certain number of non-official papers obtained in Mangalore about the return of Basel Missionaries. One of the papers is a printed memorial which was to be submitted to H.E. the Viceroy by the Indian Protestant Christians of the Basel Mission Society. I am informed that over 2 thousand signatures were obtained for this memorial and a communication was then received from the Basel Mission authorities saying that a memorial was not necessary as the Basel Missionaries were about to return. This is an additional indication that the return of Missionaries had already been decided upon.

There is a local Mangalore paper which interests itself in missionary affairs and from articles in this I gather that there is a certain amount of opposition to the return of the Basel Missionaries.

There appears to be a rival missionary body called the Lausanne Auxiliary Committee and certain section of Protestant Christians in the District appear to think that they are the spoils of war and that the contending parties are the Kanarese Evangelical Mission (representing the former Basel Mission) and the Lausanne Auxi-

liary committee. It is not easy to ascertain the precise status of this last named Committee from the one-sided - views necessarily put forward in the newspaper articles. However one thing is clear and that is that the Protestant Christians themselves will welcome the return of ~~the~~ Swiss Missionaries.

Your obedient servant,

Collector.

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C.S's note on p 16 ante

His Excellency the Governor in Council has no objection to the Basel Mission undertaking work in the South Kanara district of this Presidency on the same terms as those under which they were permitted to work in Malabar. The ~~Part~~ of the field referred to by the Bishop appears to be outside this Presidency.

A.Y.G.C.
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(p.10 of enclosure 1 of covering letter to Fraser)

UNDER SECRETARY
11 JUL 1927
CRIME BRANCH SECRETARIAT

June, 1927.

Alien missionary societies. Resumption by the Basel Mission of its former missionary work in the South Maharatta and South Kanara districts.

Sir,

With reference to the letter from this office, No. E.A 0.5919/26, dated 22nd September 1926 and connected correspondence regarding the recognition of the Basel Mission under Memorandum A, I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to forward, for information, copy of the papers noted in the margin, on the above subject.

page 1(b) 7/C 38 Pub 13-12-26 (R)

From Conference of Missionary Societies dated 13th June 1927.

1-11-27 Cop. 26 Pub 7-2-26 (1)

2. A copy of this letter and enclosure is being sent to the Government of Madras.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sd.) E. P. DONALDSON.
for Secretary,
Economic & Overseas Department.

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Home Department.

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Conference of Missionary Societies
in Great Britain & Ireland.

Committee on Relations with
Governments.

Edinburgh House,
2 Eaton Gate, S.W.1,

13th June, 1927.

The Under Secretary of State,
India Office
Whitehall,
S.W.1.

Sir,

Your letter, E.& O.3520/26, dated August 23th. 1926, stated that the Basel Mission (Evangelical Missionary Society, Basel) had been added to the list of societies recognised for the purpose of missionary work in India under the terms of Memorandum A. In our letter of April 30th. 1926, it was stated that the Basel Mission proposed, if permitted to return to India, only to work in Malabar, and this was noted in your reply of July 21st, 1926, E.& O.4485/26.

Considerable discussion has taken place both in Switzerland and in India between the Basel Mission and the Kanarese Evangelical Mission, which has for some time conducted the work of the Basel Mission in South Mahratta and South Kenara districts, [illegible] future

future of the work. For reasons partly internal to the Swiss Church situation, and partly arising from the position of the Indian Church and the expressed views of the Indian Christians, the Kanarese Evangelical Mission has informed us, and has informed the National Christian Council in India, that it is unable to carry on the work further and desires to hand it back to the Basel Mission. We have satisfied ourselves here, and the National Christian Council of India has satisfied itself, that there is no alternative way by which the work can be carried on, and that the return of the work to the Basel Mission is necessitated by the conditions in which all parties find themselves. We are informed by the Bishop of Madras, who is the Chairman of the German Missions Committee of the National Christian Council of India, that the Madras Government, who have been informed of this proposal, raise no objection.

3 Our understanding of the situation is that the recognition given by His Majesty's Government to the Basel Mission was not conditioned by their returning only to Malabar, though that field alone was in view when the recognition was granted. We wish, however, to inform

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Government of what has happened and to explain that in the opinion of all the bodies concerned in the matter the return of the Basel Mission to the South Kanara and South Mahratta fields has now become inevitable.

I am, etc.

(Sd.) William Paton.

For the Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland.

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CHIEF SECRETARY
23 FEB 1927
GOVT. OF MADRAS

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Recd on 24

22nd February 1927

Sullivan's Gardens
Royapettah, Madras

My dear Capmbell

You may remember that after consultation with the Government of Madras the Government of India have given leave to the Basel Mission to return to Malabar. At that time it was thought that the Swiss Mission would continue to work in the Kanara country; but the enclosed copy of a letter which I have just received from the Lausanne Committee in Switzerland shows that the two Committees have found it impossible to work in the small field with two separate societies. There has also been a certain amount of agitation in the Kanara country for the return of the Basel Mission and the Missionaries here feel that in spite of the elaborate arrangements which had been made for the co-operation of the two Missions in the future the position would be too difficult for them to continue their work as a separate organization. They have, therefore, decided to withdraw and have now given definite notice to the German Missions Committee that they do not propose to continue as a separate organization. The only solution, therefore, is that the Basel Mission should be permitted to return not only to Malabar but also to Kanara and South Mahratta field. The National Missionary Society has a field at Honavar which was formerly occupied by the Basel Mission, and I have heard of no agitation in that field for the return of the Basel Mission.

What I want to know is whether the Government of Madras will have any

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B any objection to the Basel Mission undertaking the responsibility of the Kanara and South Mahratta field also. The work is very closely intertwined and even under the proposed arrangement there will have to constant interchange of missionaries and very close co-operation. The Kanara field politically is not one about which any doubt could be raised as to the advisability of allowing a Swiss German Society to return to it. All that question must have been thought out in connexion with the Malabar field which includes the Moplah country. I have not yet received from the Basel Mission Committee in Switzerland a statement that they are willing to accept this large responsibility, nor have I heard by what date the Kanarese Evangelical Mission desires to withdraw. But I should like to have an informal or formal (as you may think best) intimation whether the Government of Madras would raise any objection to the extension of the Basel Mission work beyond Malabar to include their old area in South Kanara and South Mahratta country.

Yours very sincerely

Harry Madras

A.Y.G.Campbell Esq C.I.E.,C.B.E.,I.C.S.,V.D
The Chief Secretariat
Fort St George, Madras

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COMITE SUISSE DE SECOURS POUR LA MISSION AUX INDES
(Mission Canaraise Evangelique)

SCHWEIZERISCHES HILFSKOMITEE FUR DIE MISSION IN INDIEN
(Kanaresische Evangelische Mission)

Bureau: Lausanne, 35, Rue de Bourg

Lausanne, Feby, 28d, 1927

The Right Rev. the Bishop of Madras
Convener, German Missions' Committee
of the National Christian Council of India,
Madras.

My Lord

You will remember that we have accepted the task which the German Missions' Committee has entrusted unto us of continuing in South Kanara and South Mahratta the missionary work which the Basel Mission had been obliged to abandon, owing to its expulsion from India.

We have kept up this work since 1919, sending some forty missionaries to India and collecting in Switzerland the necessary funds, which amounted to about Rs.200,000. - per annum.

To-day, the circumstances which have led us to undertake our action of help do no longer exist; the Basel Mission is in fact authorised to return to Malabar. This has awakened in the Churches of South Kanara and South Mahratta the hope that not only their old missionaries would return, but their mother-mission herself.

We thought that the agreement passed between the Basel Mission and ourselves in April 1926 would allow us to continue to work side by side with her. But we have had to come to the conviction this is a dream which cannot be realised. Experience has proved us that we cannot have in Switzerland two missionary societies working for the same field. On the other side, our missionaries in India have arrived at the conviction that only the Basel Mission can command the necessary authority to continue the work.

In spite of the fact that the synods have passed a vote in favour of the agreement, our missionaries have indeed clearly felt that our Indian Christians are ardently desiring the return of the Basel Mission. An agitation which has been encouraged by letters from former missionaries, and articles full of calumnies published by certain papers, have undermined the authority of the Lausanne committee and made the situation of our missionaries unbearable.

Since then the General Assembly of the Delegates of our Mission, coming from all parts of Switzerland, has voted on Jan.26 at Berne the following resolution, which has been passed by 55 voices, with two abstentions:

1. The work in South Kanara and South Mahratta is to be handed back on June 30th, 1927 to the German Missions' Committee which has entrusted us with it.
2. In conformity with the opinion expressed by our missionaries, our committee should positively suggest to the German Missions' Committee that the latter should request the Basel Mission to continue the work.

It is with deep sorrow that we are abandoning the responsibility for this work to which we were so strongly attached; but we are making this sacrifice in the conviction that it is necessary and in harmony with the will of God.

In closing, we desire to express to you and the German Missions' Committee our gratitude for the confidence which you have shown us and for the tokens of sympathy which you have frequently given us. We pray God to bless the Kanarese Mission, our brethren who shall undertake to conduct it, and also the work which you are doing for the advancement of God's kingdom in India.

Yours very sincerely

For the Swiss auxiliary Committee of the Kanarese Evangelical Mission:

The Chairman

(sd) A. DE HALLER

The General Secretary

(sd) G. SECRETAN

(sd) P. De Benoit

Public Department.

SUBJECT. Enemy missions - Basel Mission - Extention of work to South Kanara and South Mahratta.

Letter from the Rt Rev. the Bishop of Madras, dated 22-2-27.

Please see pp 1-4 ante.

2. In G.O.No. 889 Pub dated 13-10-26 the Secretary of State for India ordered the inclusion of the Basel Missionary Society in the list of 'recognised' societies. At that time it was understood that the Basel Mission would resume its philanthropic work only in the Malabar area and that if it wanted to extend its work to South Kanara and South Mahratta, it would get the consent of the Government, ~~and the~~ co-operation with the Kanarese Evangelical Missio which has for the past 11 years been carrying on its missionary work in South Kanara and Mahratta, was contemplated

3. The letter from the Lausanne Committee in Switzerland ~~enclosed~~ an enclosure to ~~with~~ the Rt Rev. the Bishop's demi-official quoted above shows that the Kanarese Evangelical Society are not able to keep up the agreement passed between them and the Basel Missionary Society in April 1926, by which they could work side by side with the latter society . A resolution was passed by the General Assembly of the Delegates of the mission on 26th Jan 1927 to the effect that the society should withdraw themselves from the Kanara field on 30-6-27, handing over the work to the Basel Mission

4. For orders whether the D.M, South Kanara may be requested to state whether he sees any objection to the Basel Missionary Society taking up the work in South Kanara ~~and Coorg~~.

CHIEF SECRETARY 9- MAR 1927 GOVT. OF MADRAS

I should like know how the Bishop comes into the matter: why should he discuss such matters with him?

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The Bishop is "Chairman and Convener of the Roman Missions Committee of the National Christian Council". He succeeds in this capacity the late Rev. D.G.M. Leith. (cf. p5 of Precis (H) & heading of letter on p 1A of S.O 88 of Pub 13.10.26 (R))

The National Christian Council is the body with whom the Govt of India deal in India in matters affecting their missionaries - cf. paras. 4(iii) & (iv) of Memo A on p. 27 of S.O 86 Pub. Delhi 9.2.26

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Has Bishop been asked to send results in respect of his enquiry from various quarters and how expressed?

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11 MAR 1927

Draft d.o. submitted for approval.

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Public Deptt.

D.O. No 787-1 d. 16.3.27

My dear Bishop,

Enemy missions – Basel Mission – Extension of work to South Kanara and South Mahratta. Your D.O. d. 22-2-27

With reference to your statement in the demi-official letter quoted above that there has been a certain amount of agitation in the Kanara country for the return of the Basel Mission ~~will you if you would~~ ~~am desirous to enquire~~ please let ~~me know~~ by whom began & conducted the agitation was ~~Engineered~~ and how it was ~~& expressed~~?

(what exactly you refer to when saying and)

To

The Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Madras.

R.D. 10.4.27

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CHIEF SECRETARY
26 MAR 1927
GOVT. OF MADRAS

CURRENT NO.
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23rd March 1927

Sullivan's Gardens
Rovapettah, Madras

My dear Campbell

Enemy Missions - Basel Mission - Extension of work to South Kanara and South Mahratta- Your D.O.No.787-1 of the 16th instant.

There has always been a certain amount of feeling among old Basel Missionaries and their supporters in Switzerland that the French Swiss Mission which took over charge of South Kanara during the war should relinquish the work to the old Basel Mission when it returned. This has been done wholly or partially by a good many of the societies which filled the breach during the war, for instance the S.P.G. took charge of the work of the Gossner Mission in Chota Nagpur and conducted it for several years and then relinquished it first to a committee representing the local church and finally to the Gossner Mission. In the same way the Swiss Mission took charge of the Leipzig Mission in Tranquebar and the surrounding country and on their return relinquished to them as much of that mission field as they could take charge of. When it became clear that the French Swiss Mission desired to maintain the work which they had been doing for ten years there was a feeling in the Basel Mission in Switzerland that they were being ousted from an integral part of their field by their own country men: and I with the help of others took steps to ensure some sort of co-operation by the establishment of a joint Committee in Switzerland and a joint Committee in India with the idea that the two Missions would

work in separate fields but would very frequently meet and co-ordinate their efforts.

2. Meanwhile, a strong desire was expressed by the indigenous Christians of Kanara that the Basel Mission should return and that the French Swiss Mission should depart or work under the old Basel Mission of which several of them had been missionaries in the past. This desire of the Indian Christians was expressed at various meetings and in their paper 'Satyavartha'. The editor of that paper had had some disagreement with the French Swiss Mission on a point of policy and was very anxious for the return of the Basel missionaries. There was no doubt an idea in the minds of the common people that the Industrials would in some form or other return to the Basel Mission and if they were under a separate organization more money would be available than was available from the French Swiss Mission which was not rich. Though it was pointed out very plainly that the Basel Mission would not be allowed to resume its trading activities they refused to believe this. One or two of their old friends in Switzerland used to write to them and encouraged them to hope that if the agitations were strong enough the French Swiss Mission would withdraw and that the Basel Mission would return. When the proposed compromise of establishing and co-ordinating committees was put forward before the churches in Kanara they agreed to the plan, but apparently the French Swiss missionaries felt that they had outstayed their welcome and decided that they would prefer to withdraw as a mission and work in Africa or elsewhere,

and so the missionaries passed a resolution deciding that they could no longer carry on the work and suggesting that their work be given to the German Missions Committee as from the 30th June 1927 and forwarded a copy of the resolution to Switzerland. The Committee of the French Swiss Mission there reviewed all the circumstances and found that it would be very difficult for them to raise funds in Switzerland in competition with the Basel Mission and they endorsed the policy and sent me a copy of their resolution.

3. It was not the business of the German Missions Committee to invite missions to undertake work permanently, and I awaited an intimation from the Basel Mission that they were willing to undertake the work. I received this last week when I was at Mangalore in the form of a letter addressed to the French Missionaries, asking them to help by remaining on under the Basel Mission and by collecting funds for the work. I telegraphed to the Basel Mission that having now heard of their willingness to undertake the work and of the request of the French Swiss Mission to be relieved of it I would lay the matter before the Government of Madras, which I do now formally.

4. It is not, of course, the concern of the Government what Missionary Society works in a particular place so long as it is a society licensed to work in India; but as in putting forward the request for the return of the Basel Mission it was stated that they were only being asked to return to Malabar a reference to Government becomes necessary in this case: and I shall be glad if I can receive a reply at an early date as the French missionaries are very anxious to make their plans and to

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hand over their work. I may say that there is no society in India which would be willing to undertake the work at present as they are already over-burdened and crippled for want of funds; and I may point out that as the Government of Madras have raised no objection to the return of the Basel missionaries to Malabar which is politically a more difficult district than Kanara there does not appear to be any reason why they should insist upon the sphere of the Basel Mission on the West Coast being divided.

5. I may say that the attitude of the Basel Mission Committee in Switzerland has been throughout entirely cordial, and they at my request formulated a plan for co-operation with the French and it is the French missionaries themselves who have relinquished the work. It is true one or two of the ex-Basel missionaries have corresponded unwisely with the Indian Church, but that is entirely unofficial and their action has been repudiated by the Committee. The agitation against the French Missionaries and in favour of the Basel missionaries had no political complexion. With the majority it was a desire to return to the society which had made them Christians and looked after them for three or four generations; with some it was undoubtedly helped by the belief that the Basel Mission would be the richer society and more able to support schools and give employment to Christians; while with one or two of the leaders it was a personal matter connected with some disciplinary action taken by the French Swiss Mission of which they disapproved: but even this last has no political signifance. You may remember

that some years ago an agitation arose in Palghat against certain disciplinary measures taken by the Basel Mission. These agitations are very easy to arouse and generally have very little meaning beyond the immediate vexation at something often entirely unconnected with the question.

I do not think that Government need have the slightest apprehension of any trouble arising if they give permission to the Basel Mission to undertake the responsibility which the French Swiss Mission have now repudiated.

Yours very sincerely

Harry Madras

A.Y.G.Campbell Esq C.I.E.,C.B.E.,V.D., I.C.S
The Chief Secretariat
Fort St George, Madras

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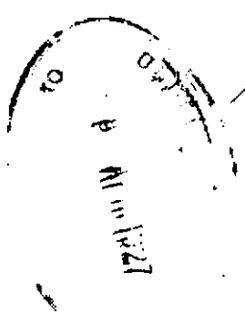
Please see the demi-official on page 7 ante to the Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras and his reply thereto on pp.8-12 ante.

It appears from para 2 of the Bishop's letter that the agitation referred to was engineered by the Indian Christians of Kanara. The manner in which it was manifested will be found stated at A on page 11 ante. It would also appear that the desire of the Indian Christians for the return of the Basel Mission was expressed at various meetings and in the paper entitled "Satyavarta". Attention is also invited to portion marked Y on p.12 of the Bishop's letter. For orders whether the D.M. South Kanara should be consulted - vide para 4 of the office note on page 5 ante.



With reference to the note above, a draft memo to the D.M. South Kanara is submitted for approval.

Memo issued as No 787-27 dt 25-4-27

Papers missing. Has interference gone to D.P.I. & Kanara?
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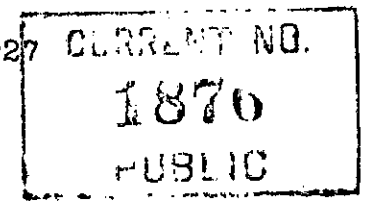
25thApril 1927



Sullivan's Gardens
Royapettah, Madras

My dear Campbell

It would be a help to me if I could know fairly soon whether Government would raise any objection to the Basel Mission bedoming responsible for the work in South Kanara. The negotiations are haning fire because the situation is not clear. The Basel Mission are anxious that the Kanarese missionaries and their organization in Switzerland should help with workers and money. The Kanarese missionaries are very uncertain of their future except that they want to leave as an organization. If I could send a reply to the Basel Mission that the Government of Madras would have no objection to their taking further responsibility there would at least be one definite step taken in the future arrangements. What I am afraid of is that the present Kanarese French Mission will withdraw and no arrangement will have been made for the carrying on of the work, and that means chaos.

Yours very sincerely

Harris Madras

A.Y.G.Campbell Esq C.I.E.,C.B.E.,V.D.,I.C.S
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The demi-official letter from the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Madras is submitted for perusal.

p. 14/nf

C.S's query at the top of page 14 ante.

Submitted that a reference has gone to the D.M., South Kanara and his reply is awaited. Perhaps an interim reply may be sent to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Madras. Draft D.O. is submitted for approval.

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KB 29.4.27

[redacted] Draft telegraphic reminder 9539/27 to the Dm. S. Kanara is also put up as personally directed by H.E. time was of the essence.

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[I issued as telegram No. 787-3 Pub dt 3.5.27]

* reminder.

H.E.

The telegram has been despatched. File resubmitted.

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C.S. has told the Bishop in person that the matter awaits the Dm's reply. The memo to the Bishop need not go.

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[cf No. 2088]

From the DM, South Kanara, No. Ref. 3672-27-B-1 dated 5-6-27

Submitted

2. It appears from the concluding portion of the letter quoted above, that the DM, South Kanara has no objection to the Basel Missionary

A at p. 4 cf.

No. 30

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Society returning to his district.

Submd for orders.

Dety. Dirs. has sent a second letter.

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Add it to this

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The second letter from the Collr of S. Kanara has been added - 5-6 cf.

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SS.

12.5.27.

Views given will seem to be sufficient reason for the Govt. to direct the return of the Basel Missionaries to S. Kanara on the same terms as to Malabar

12.5.27

UNDER SECRETARY
20 MAY 1927
GOVT. OF MADRAS

C/ I agree with the Cs.
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CHIEF SECRETARY
20 MAY 1927
GOVT. OF MADRAS

The Basel Missionary Society is a recognised society. A recognised Society can engage freely in Missionary work in any part of India But the understanding when the recognition was granted was that the Society should resume its work in Malabar area

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only - Vide para 2 of the letter on page 29 of Go. 889 Pub dated 13-10-26. It is therefore for consideration whether the present proposal to extend the Society's activities to South Kanara and South Mahratta Country should be reported to the Govt of India for their formal sanction. A draft letter is submitted for consideration.

2. The Bishop may also be informed that his proposal has been recommended to the Govt of India. A draft D.O. is also put up for approval

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Approved 31/5/27

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My dear Bishop,

Enemy Missions - Basel Mission - Extension of work to South Kanara and S.Mahratta - Your D.O. dated 25th April 1927.

I am directed to inform you that the Madras Government have no objection to the Basel Mission undertaking missionary work in South Kanara on the conditions subject to which the Mission was permitted to work in Malabar. The Government of India will be so informed. The remainder of the "Kanara and South Mahratta field" presumably lies outside this Presidency.

Yours sincerely,

A.Y.G.C.
30-5-1927.

The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop
of Madras

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My dear Yeatts,

Many thanks for your D.O. 787-5 informing me that the Madras Govt have no objection to the Basel Mission undertaking work in S. K. & S. Mahratta on the same conditions. Yrs sincerely Bishop Madras

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Submitted for perusal.
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Submitted that the papers may now be "Recorded".
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